## **HONDURAS PRESIDENT DENIED ENTRY, PG 6**



#### Six Chix has Metro showing it can carry a 'toon

CARTOON Metro Canada is getting into the funny business.

Starting today, Metro will be publishing Six Chix, an innovative daily comic created by a group of female cartoonists.

Each daily Six Chix comic, appearing on the Celebrity Buzz page, is created by a different cartoonist — including Rina Piccolo. A Toronto native, whose comics will appear every Wednesday, Piccolo's work has been seen in numerous magazines, books, cartoon anthologies and greeting

Along with your daily dose of Six Chix, Metro Canada is now offering more than 60 cartoon strips a day, and an archive of more than 1,500 comics, on its website, metronews.ca.

These strips include classics like the Amazing Spider-Man, Family Circus, and Hagar the Horrible. You can email them to a friend, rate them, and even create your own humorous captions

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#### **Going Green** pg 9

#### U.S. now a green leader



 Share your SunnySide thoughts on Twitter using #sunnyside

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A silvery Elvis look-alike puts on a show with a young volunteer yesterday during the 25th annual Edmonton International Street Performers Festival in Churchill Square

## **Fun and** silliness

Street festival celebrates its 25th anniversary in style

#### Sunny Side

**GRAHAM MCCANN** for Metro Edmonton

Churchill Square was rampant with fun and silliness yesterday as people of all ages gathered for what promoters have called the "greatest show on Earth," as the 25th annual Edmonton International Street Performers Festival got into full swing

over the weekend.

#### **Online** "Edmonton audiences are Go to edmontonstreet great, so gen-erous," said fest.com/2009/index.php for more information.

Sheldon Elter the Be Arthurs, which is a threemember Ukulele cover

band. The Be Arthurs played songs from Bohemian Rhapsody by Queen to Hey Ya by OutKast in their third year in the event.

We are all local boys, so it is nice to play at home and rock out," Elter said.

The Flaming Idiots, an act that had a crowd gathered to watch them juggle pins and break out of

straightjackets, originally came from Texas.

"It is good to see other people do what you do," said the Flaming Idiots' Jon O'Connor, a group that started in 1989 and frequented the Fringe Festival when they came to Canada.

"We came down for something different to do with our kids for the weekend, and enjoy the outside weather," said Debra, who was sitting in the shade for a picnic with her husband,

George, and two children, three-year-old Charlie, and 11-month-old

Robyn.
"It is finally good weath-

George. He added that he emphasizes "finally."

They also had their caricatures drawn and Charlie was looking forward to getting his face painted after lunch from the variety of food that could be purchased at the event.

Children could also step into city hall's wading pool while its fountains mist cooled off bystanders.

The festival continues until July 12.

## Recovery to be front and centre at G8 meeting

SUMMIT It's hard to say who is more jangled these

Residents of the Italian city of L'Aquila, rattled every other day by earthquake aftershocks, trying to play host to this week's annual meeting of leaders of the world's top eight industrialized countries.

Or the G8 leaders them-

selves, unnerved by an ongoing global credit crisis, rising protectionist sentiment in pivotal economies like the United States and China, and instability in regions like Afghanistan-Pakistan, Iran and North Ko-

Their agenda - on paper — is ambitious: to advance economic recovery,

fight climate change. strengthen international security and boost development and medical aid for

the world's poor. In reality, Canadian officials privately say, the shaky global economy, and questions about whether it's really hit bottom, are centre-stage.

"The main focus for the

prime minister is going to be the economy," said one official.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper leaves Tuesday for Italy, where he will particiin talks about whether new rules are needed to avoid a new fi-nancial crisis. U.S. President Barack Obama's officials have already called

this summit a prelude to a broader G20 meeting in Pittsburgh in September.

This will be more about exchanging views at this midpoint between the two G20 summits than an opportunity to produce a series of specific deliver-ables," Obama aide Mike Froman told reporters.

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Airport debate raging on

The great City Centre Airport debate continues tonight at 7 p.m. as Fusedlogic brings together two opposing views on the future of the airport. The panel discussion can be viewed online at fusedlogic.tv. METRO EDMONTON

## Local



#### **Prince of Pot coming to Edmonton**

The Prince of Pot is making his final rounds this month, and stopping in Edmonton this week. Marc Emery, left, has been fighting extradition to the United States since 2005 for selling marijuana seeds through his magazine Cannabis Culture. Emery's farewell tour hits the 780 with some 420 at Churchill Square on Thursday afternoon. METRO EDMONTON

## Man shot in face, lives

Police release photos from Canada Day stabbing

VICTORIA HANDYSIDES

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Gunfire pierced the air of a north-end residential neighbourhood early yesterday, ripping a bullet through a man's face.

The victim, a man in his early 20s, was rushed to hospital after the shooting near 24 Street and 137 Avenue around 3:30 a.m. Sun-

day.
"Though the bullet tore thorough his facial tissue, he'll live," Staff Sgt. Jamie Ewatski said yesterday.

"The gunshot went in, and then exited," Ewatski said yesterday. "He's lucky that it struck the fleshy portion of the face - very

Though police believe

"The gunshot went in, and then exited. He's lucky that it struck the fleshy portion of the face very lucky."

Staff Sqt. Jamie Ewatski

the victim was shot by another man, they're unable to confirm what happened leading up to the shooting.

Putting the pieces together has been difficult, in part, Ewatski said, because the victim has been unco-operative with investigators.

'I'm sure that after a little time in the hospital, a little thought process, he might want to co-operate with us."

No suspects have yet been identified or charged in connection with the shooting.

Police are actively interviewing witnesses who were at the scene and live in the area, Ewatski added.

Meanwhile, police are still searching for suspects in relation to Edmonton's 14th homicide of 2009.

Shane Edward Howarth, 42, was stabbed to death in front of a crowded transit station on Canada Day. Four people — three men and one woman — are sought by police in connection with the brutal public slaying.

Police have released surveillance photos of the suspects on the EPS website.



James Hahn from Alemeda, Calif., won the Telus Edmonton Open yesterday in a sudden death hole against Jim Rutledge from Vic-

#### Edmonton Open ends in sudden death playoff

CANICE WARD

**GOLF** Excitement went over par yesterday as the final round of the Telus Edmonton Open concluded with a sudden death playoff hole between California's James Hahn and British Columbia's Jim Rutledge.

Although both players finished at 16 under par, Hahn proved to be victorious and for the first time was thrust into the winner's

"It is just jaw-dropping," said Hahn. "I almost cried."

The Glendale Golf and Country Club played host to 156 of the world's finest golfers as the tournament swung its way into Edmon-

The Telus Edmonton Open also presented the Edmonton Garrison Military Family Resource Centre, the charitable recipient with a \$35,000 cheque towards its Grief and Loss and Deployment Support programs.

#### **News** in brief

**DEATH** A woman is dead after a collision on Highway 14, one kilometre east of Range Road 203 on Saturday. The incident occurred when a car travelling west crossed the centre line and hit a Mack tractor-trailer. police said. The diesel tanks of the Mack were ruptured and started a fire. The woman, who wasn't identified, was the only occupant of the car and was pronounced dead at the scene The two occupants in the Mack had serious burns and are in stable condition.

MISSING Mounties are searching for a 64-year-old Lamont man who left home Saturday, then disappeared. Jerry Dach jumped in his pickup truck early Saturday morning from his home in Lamont, bound for the Shell Scotford Petro Chemical Plant. He never arrived. He was driving a white 2005 Chevy Silverado with the words "Jerry Dach Water Hauling" stenciled in the back window. The truck bears a licence plate that reads "LYP 517."

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#### Slain soldier returning to home soil

VICTORIA HANDYSIDES

DEATH The body of the 121st Canadian soldier to die in Afghanistan will soon arrive back on his home country's soil.

Cpl. Nicholas Bulger was killed in the line of duty Friday morning when a roadside bomb rocked the armoured vehicle he was in west of Kandahar. Four other soldiers were also injured in the deadly blast.

Bulger is being remembered by commanding officers as "tough yet thoughtful, dedicated to his profession and fiercely

loyal."

"We will also mourn collectively, but will do so without losing sight of the mission in Afghanistan and the noble work that CF members continue to do on behalf of their fellow countrymen and of the vast majority of Afghans who strive for nothing more than the most fundamental human rights. Cpl Nicholas Bulger wouldn't have had it any other way," Commanding Officer Peter Dawe said in a weekend statement

A member of Edmontonbased 3rd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Bulger, 30, is survived by his wife, Rebeka, and young daughters, four-year-old Brookelyn and two-year-old Eliza-

## metrenews.ca

Video Chopper crews keep a watchful eye over ground forces in Afghanistan at metronews.ca/canada Immigration Guidy Mamann on how a genuine relationship may not be enough for spousal sponsorship at metronews.ca/ immigration

#### Lotteries

These results are not official.

Friday, July 3 Lotto Super 7: 8, 10, 14, 35, 42, 43 & 47. Bonus 21. Saturday, July 4 Lotto 6/49: 1, 14, 23, 27, 32 & 44. Bonus 48.

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The B.C. Civil Liberties Association is warning free speech will be in danger during the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, CBC News Online reports. The organization claims students living on campus at the University of British Columbia are being asked to sign away their right to free speech during the two-week event. METRO NEWS SERVICES



#### NDP wants more cash for farmers

Federal NDP Leader Jack Layton is again urging the federal government to approve emergency money for Prairie farmers facing one of the worst droughts in decades, CBC News Online reports. During a visit to Saskatoon Saturday, he said farmers need immediate aid, adding he has never seen the region so dry. "Even flying in here from Calgary, just looking down at the fields, I've never seen it like that and I've travelled this country many times," he said. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Wounded soldier dies | A sixth bombing

#### Injured last month in roadside bombing in Afghanistan

A Canadian soldier who was injured by a roadside bomb in Afghanistan last month has died in a Quebec hospital.

Charles-Master Cpl. Philippe Michaud, 28, was seriously injured around 9 a.m. local time on June 23 after he stepped on an improvised explosive device in the Panjwayi District, southwest of Kandahar.

He was immediately airlifted to the coalition medical facility at Kandahar Airfield and then transported to the Landstuhl Regional Medical Centre in Ger-

On June 28, he was taken



Master Cpl. Charles-Phillipe Michaud, 28, died in a Quebec hospital on Saturday after being injured in Afghanistan.

to a Quebec City hospital. Doctors say he never regained consciousness.

He passed away around 2 p.m. Saturday.

Michaud was praised as a model soldier who worked tirelessly with his fellow

"Very close to his men, he looked after their wellbeing constantly," Col. Jean Marc Lanthier, commander of the 5th Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group, as he announced Michaud's death at CFB Valcartier, near Quebec City.

Michaud, who was from the 2nd Batalion, Royal 22nd Regiment based at Canadian Forces Base Valcartier near Quebec City, was on his third operational tour. It was his second time serving in Afghanistan.

Michaud is survived by his wife, parents and a brother.

He becomes the 122nd soldier to die during the mission in Afghanistan.

In written statement released yesterday, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said he was "aware of (Michaud's) heroic battle to survive severe injuries.

"The thoughts of all Canadians are with Master Cpl. Michaud's family to-day," he went on to sav he went on to say. "They are in our prayers."

Michaud becomes the fourth Canadian soldier to die in as many weeks.

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## on B.C. pipeline

ATTACK An explosion damaged a natural gas pipeline in northeast British Columbia Saturday, the sixth attack on an energy facility in that area of the Canadian province in recent months.

The explosion about 8 kilometres south of the community of Dawson Creek, B.C., caused a leak but no injuries and was heard by crews repairing wellhead equipment damaged in a bombing Wednesday, police said.

The elements of this incident thus far, are consistent with the previous blast sites and the RCMP considers this latest bombing linked to the others," the Royal Canadian Mounted Police said in a statement.

Pipeline owner EnCana Corp said 12-inch diameter line carried "sour" gas that contains hydrogen sulphide and can be deadly if breathed, but none had been detected by monitoring equipment and there was no threat to the public.

The incident caused pressure in the line to drop, which activated emergency

#### **Background**

• The bombings that began in early October have all targeted EnCana natural gas facilities near the communities of Dawson Creek and Tomslake, B.C. None of the attacks have caused injuries but have produced small gas leaks.

valves that immediately shut down the pipeline and stopped the leak, the company said.

Investigators believe the saboteur is a resident of the area and that the incidents are linked to a letter sent to media before the first blast warning EnCana to stop drilling for natural gas in the area.

The letter also complained about the production of "crazy" gas, which officials have speculated may be a reference to sour gas production.

The company did not estimate when the latest damage would be repaired, and the company is still working to stop the small leak caused by Wednesday's explosion. DELITEDS

#### PM mourns former MP who killed himself

**DEPRESSION** Reflecting on the life and tragic suicide of a young former Saskatchewan MP, Prime Minister Stephen Harper urged a greater public understanding of the severe anxiety and depression



**Dave Batters** 

that touch so many Canadians. At a funer-

al in Regina Saturday, Harper eulogized Dave Batters, 39, who

committed suicide June 30, as a colleague whose energy and enthusiasm "were infectious."

Batters's suicide shook the ranks of fellow Conservatives and others on Parliament Hill.

A few months before Batters announced that he would not run again last fall, the prime minister said, "I became aware that beneath this veneer of optimism. Dave struggled with severe anxiety and depres-

Harper praised Batters, who revealed his illness when he announced he would not run for re-election, for having the "courage" to deal with his illness "head-on."

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#### Gatineau Enter sandman



A performers dances as a part of the Wonders of Sand festival at Lac Beauchamp in Gatineau, Que., yesterday. More than 15,000 people came to check out 17 professional jungle-themed sculptures.

#### Ease citizenship rules for foreign births: Report

PARLIAMENT Ottawa should grant citizenship rights to people born outside the country to a Canadian parent, provided the mother or father lived in Canada for a given time before the child was born, says a parliamentary report.

recommendation from the standing committee on citizenship and immigration comes after Bill C-37, which took effect in April, discontinued the practice of giving citizenship to children born outside Canada to parents who are naturalized Canadians.

"It is in Canada's interest for the government to ensure that citizenship is not passed on to 'citizens of convenience,'" the all-party committee said in its re-

But it added: "We are of the opinion that the par-

ents' attachment to Canada can be measured by the amount of time they resided in Canada before their child was born.'

Bill C-37 was created in response to the problem of "lost Canadians"— people who for technical reasons weren't considered citizens - something they learned about only when they applied for citizenship docu-TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE ments.

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Japanese royalty tour Ottawa region

Japanese Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko toured the Ottawa region Saturday, CBC News Online reported. The official purpose of the visit is to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the start of Canada-Japan diplomatic relations. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Website aims to empower poor people

For Canadians living in poverty, a lack of funds means not only a constant struggle to make ends meet, but a sense of isolation from the rest of society.

"It's like living in another world, because all of the news and commercials are geared to this Canadian average and we don't fit that profile," said Cheryl Smith, managing editor of peacockpoverty.org.

"None of that is accessible to us."

Smith hopes the website, launched July 1, will be a solution.

The idea is to use information provided by "poor people" and their friends to create a resource to improve the lives of Canadians living in or close to poverty.

It is also a place to share ideas and creative abilities, Smith said.

#### "We are going to go out into the community looking for voices."

Cheryl Smith

Smith's duties include hosting the Health Portfolio section of the website. a place for people to get information to improve their "total health; physical, spiritual and mental."

Smith knows that providing the information online is just the first step in overcoming multiple bar-

"There are many people locked away without language and technology,' she said.
"We are going to go out

into the community looking for voices. We are going to go to them."

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#### Vancouver Grin and bare it



Participants at the 13th annual Bare Buns Run show off their decorated behinds at Wreck Beach in Vancouver yesterday. Ironically, participants got a free T-shirt.

#### Man threatened boys, assaulted girl in B.C.: RCMP

JEFF HODSON



A six-vear-old girl was sexually assaulted and her brother and his friend were threatened at knife point and told not

The girl, her 12-year-old brother and his friend, 15, walking were Friday evening when a man approached them with a folding knife.

RCMP say he ordered

to run, RCMP said yester- the three youths into a treed area and threatened the two boys, ordering them to remain where they were. He then took the young girl to a different area and sexually assaulted her before running off, police say.

#### Flaherty predicts other firms will follow Tims north

**ECONOMY** Other companies are likely to follow Tim Hortons Inc in moving their corporate structures to Canada to take advantage of a falling corporate tax rate, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said

The coffee shop chain said last month it applied with U.S. regulators to return to its Canadian corporate roots through a reorganization to benefit from lower taxes.

Flaherty told reporters on a conference call from Chile, that he hoped the provinces would follow in the footsteps of the Conservative federal government and commit to reducing their tax rates to 10 per cent by 2012.

The federal government has pledged to reduce its corporate tax rate to 15 per cent by that year, for a combined rate of 25 per

"I'm optimistic that we're going to get to that 25 per cent (corporate) tax rate, federal and provincial, by 2013 or so," he said. REUTERS



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Mass monkey escape closes zoo

Chester Zoo, Britain's most popular wildlife attraction, was evacuated yesterday after 30 chimpanzees escaped from their enclosure. The animals found their way into a keeper area where their food is normally prepared. "We had an army of chimps eating their way through the kitchen and the decision was taken, quite rightly, to evacuate," a spokeswoman said. REUTERS

## World



#### **Ancient biblical texts online today**

The surviving parts of the world's oldest Christian bible will be reunited online today, generating excitement among biblical scholars still striving to unlock its mysteries. The Codex Sinaiticus was hand written in Greek on animal hide, known as vellum, in the mid-fourth century around the time of the Roman emperor Constantine the Great, who embraced Christi-anity. Surviving pages include the whole of the New Testament and the earliest surviving copy of the Gospels written at different times after Christ's death by four Apostles.

## Plane denied landing

### Honduran president turned away amid clashes

Ousted Honduran President Manuel Zelaya turned back from an attempted return home yesterday after soldiers clashed with his supporters as he tried to land, fueling tensions over the coup that toppled him.

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Zelaya's plane landed in neighbouring Nicaragua, after he said initially his flight from Washington would divert to El Salvador.

"Faced with this situation, we have to go on with we had planned, which is a meeting with the other presidents in the rehe told the Telesur gion," news channel from the

Honduras' interim government, which has resisted growing international pressure over the coup, re-



A protester cries after a battle between soldiers and supporters of ousted president Manuel Zelaya at the airport in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa yesterday.

fused Zelava permission to enter the country and warned he would be arrested. Hundreds of troops fanned out around the runway to protect the airport.

Violence erupted after

protesters broke through fencing at the edge of the airport. Troops fired tear gas and clashed with the rockthrowing crowd, witnesses

Zelaya, a leftist who had

been due to leave power in 2010, was pushed out of office by troops and flown into exile in Costa Rica a week ago in a coup triggered by a dispute over presidential

## Mixed reaction to Palin's resignation

u.s. Republican Senator John McCain expressed support for his former presi-dential running mate, Sarah Palin, Saturday as Washington speculated about why the Alaska governor abruptly announced her resignation.

McCain made the comment a day after Palin stunned the political world by announcing she is stepping down with 18 months left in her term.

McCain had plucked Palin from obscurity to plucked make her his vice presidential running mate in last year's presidential campaign, won by Democrat Barack Obama.
But Alaska's Republican

Senator Lisa Murkowski issued a statement saying, "I am deeply disappointed that the Governor has decided to abandon the State and her constituents before her term has concluded."

A polarizing figure who is mainly popular among conservatives, Palin has often been considered a con-tender for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. Her decision, announced in a rambling, disjointed statement in her home town of Wasilla, Alaska, fueled speculation that she might be seeking to position herself for a run.



commenta-tors said it was a strange move for one presidential ambitions, opening her to po-

But some

tential criticism that she quit her post to pursue a personal agenda.

Palin's lawyers released a statement Saturday denying allegations her resignation was linked to a criminal investigation on construction of a sports complex in Wasilla.

McCain's statement of support came after some of his political aides from last year's campaign outlined their grievances with her in an article in the current issue of Vanity Fair magazine.

REUTERS

### ection results 'invalid': Iranian clerics



IRAN A pro-reform Iranian clerical group said yesterday the outcome of last month's presidential vote was "invalid," even though Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has upheld the result.

In a sign of a deepening rift among Shi'ite clerics, the Assembly of Qom Seminary Scholars and Re-searchers also called for the release of Iranians arrested in protests after the hardline president was declared winner of the June 12 vote.

"Other candidates' complaints and strong evi-dence of vote-rigging were ignored ... peaceful protests by Iranians were violently oppressed ... dozens of Iranians were killed and hundreds were illegally arrested," said a statement published on

#### **Journalist released: Report**

• Iran said yesterday it had released a Greek journalist covering Iran's disputed presidential election for the Washington Times, state television reported. "Because of the hu-

the Assembly's Web site.

"The outcome is invalid." Qom is Iran's centre of Shi'ite learning, about 125 kilometrs south of Tehran.

The assembly has little political influence but its statement is a significant act of defiance since Qom is the power base of the clerical establishment.

manitarian efforts made by

Iran's envoy to Greece ... the

Greek journalist was released

spokesman Hassan Qashqavi

told state television.

Foreign Ministry

todav."

It follows calls by hardliners for leaders of the protests, in which at least 20 people were killed, to be put on trial.

#### **News** in brief

**CRASH** A Walt Disney World employee died yesterday in a collision of monorail trains carrying tourists at the complex in central Florida. The elevated trains collided near the entrance to the sprawling

resort's Magic Kingdom park around 2 a.m. Eastern time, according to spokeswoman Zoraya Suarez. The cause of the crash was being investigated, according to local police.

REUTERS

#### Israel won't base subs in Red Sea

MIDDLE EAST Israel has no plan to station

submarines in Eilat, a defence official said yesterday, playing down speculation the Red Sea port could become a forward base for secret naval operations against Iran. An Israeli Dolphin-class submarine took part in a drill off Eilat last week, after sailing from the

Mediterranean via the Suez Canal — the first such voyage for the secret craft and a sign of Israel's growing strategic reach, defence sources said.

### North Korea seeking attention: Biden

MISSILES U.S. Vice President Joe Biden dismissed North Korea's recent missile launches as predictable "attention-seeking" behaviour by the reclusive state.

Speaking in a TV inter-

view yesterday, Biden said: "Look, this has almost become predictable behaviour. Some of it seems like almost attention-seeking behavior."

According to South Ko-rea's Defence Ministry, North Korea fired seven ballistic missiles Saturday, coinciding with the U.S. Inde-

pendence Day holiday. That followed its firing of four short-range, non-ballistic missiles into the sea Thursday. Biden said on ABC's This Week during a visit to Iraq that he did not want to give North Korea the attention it was seeking. REUTERS

#### **News** in brief

G8 Irish singer and anti-poverty activist Bob Geldof grilled Silvio Berlusconi in an interview published vesterday, telling him Italy's failed pledges on aid put his credibility in doubt as he chairs a G8 summit this week. "How can you lead the G8? Where is your credibility?"

Geldof asked the conservative Italian Prime Minister in the interview, printed ahead of this week's summit in L'Aquila. CHINA Three people were killed in rioting that erupted in China's far west Xinjiang region yesterday, when locals burned vehicles in the regional capital Urumqi, the state news agency reported. "The regional government did not say how many people were involved. but said they illegally gathered in several places and engaged in beating, smashing, looting and burning," said the official Xinhua news agency. REUTERS

#### Spain **Bull ride**



Spanish bullfighter Jose Tomas is tossed by a bull during a bullfight at the Monumental bullring in Barcelona yesterday.

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## Comment & Views

#### Comment

## Rats, tents and insights



oday, I'm marking another birthday. Actually the big day isn't until August but leaving it until the last minute doesn't allow for important birthday activities such as reflection, goal-setting and making out a really good gift list. If "it's better to give than receive," I wouldn't dream of leaving my friends and family out of the good part.

Birthdays are an excellent time to take stock of what you've learned in the past year.

Here's my list.

If you drive a Smart car, it's a good idea to close the sunroof before you press the windshield sprayer button. Trust me.

Advice from my friend, Rob. If you can't get served in a large, well-**Sunny**Side known Canadian hardware around with him in case store, start putting togethhe needs assistance in other a tent. Rob spent a halfer places. For years I've battled squirrels in my yard but hour searching for assistance with camping gear, finally deciding that all lately I've come to accept that perhaps they're not so bad after all. What sales associates must be hiding in the back room. helped me reach this Zen state? I now have I've worked in retail and I can tell you that no salesperson would ever be ala rat. I spotted it unlowed to do that. That's der my bird feeder. I where the manager behaved like any hides. Finally, Rob dereasonable intellicided to try putting gent adult. I together tent. freaked out enseconds, Within tirely. Then I called the city. three employees appeared, eager to dent officer stop him. "They said it was a (yes, there of question one): cleanliness," he which help you? seems odd. given where Me: Rat! end tents up. Rob is now considering carrying tent

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer.
She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

#### CRO: Can you describe the situation, ma'am? Me: Rat! Rat!

CRO: Rats aren't really dangerous than squirrels. I'm not sure why people get so agitated.

Me: Um ... because it's a

CRO: How often is it appearing?

Me: Every few minutes. CRO: That's its mate.

Me: That's my other rat? The lesson? When you find yourself in a frustrating, unpleasant situation, remind yourself of one thing: It can always get worse. This morning I looked out and there were

Sunroofs, tents, rodents. Not a very impressive list. But all about being ready to learn from whatever life brings. And perhaps, after all, wisdom is like birthday gifts. The best lessons come in the smallest in-

## Everyone can help to alleviate gridlock



Ah, downtown on Canada Day ... so many people out enjoying the various cele-brations, revelry and, of course, the marvellous fireworks display. And after the fireworks comes another downtown Canada Day tradition - gridlock on every

It's tempting for me to blame ETS here and definitely part of the problem lies with it; should transit have been operating on a bare-bones Sunday sched-ule throughout the day?

wise to start running a similar service on Canada Day to what it runs on New Year's Eve — free of charge with bus serv-

more ship and to

home safely well into the night. But all that aside and in

spite of their enormous shortcomings, I still have to defend ETS here — despite not delivering a service that enticed people to take transit, ETS did as good a job as could be expected in clearing out the thousands of people from the downtown core. There were dozens of

ernment Centre Transit Centre and the LRT was running at peak frequen-cies to help clear out the crowds.

So what's my beef? At

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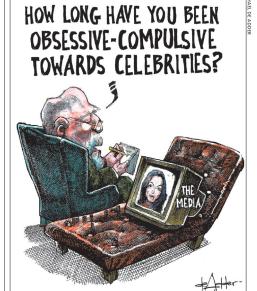
"We need to start a.m. — to help being more rider- accountable for ship and to ensure that revellers are creating a able to get sustainable city ..."

maybe not you. Maybe you walked, biked or took transit and, like myself, chuckled (a little sadistically) as you walked past block after block of gridlocked cars. But where my issue really lies is with those of you who drove downtown by the thousands to help cre-

ate the ensuing mess. We need to start being own roles in creating a sustainable city — gridlock, traffic jams and pollution don't just happen on their own. They happen because we as individuals make the choice not to take transit or to rely on some other more sustainable form of transportation and instead decide to hop in private vehi-

And until we start deciding to rely on transit and create a demand for better service and an overall better system, ETS will continue to be able to justify its lack of service because the demand simply is not there.

Brian Gould is a transportation planner and has served in a variety of roles with the Transit Riders' Union of Edmonton. He's committed to being carless and is a vocal critic of auto-centric planning; edmontonletters@metronews.ca.



#### **Worth mentioning**

### Alcohol can keep you healthy, wealthy, wise

Moderate drinkers are wealthier, more educated and less likely to be dis-abled than teetotalers, which explains some, but not all, of the association between moderate alcohol consumption and longer

life, according to a new study. Having one drink a day

halved a person's risk of dying over the next four years, Dr. Sei J. Lee of San Francisco VA Medical Center and colleagues found. After accounting for several factors that could influence alcohol use and mortality, the effect was weakened, but moderate drinkers were still 28 per cent less likely to

than drinkers. The first study to show that moderate drinkers live longer than either teetotalers or heavy drinkers was published in 1923. But the jury is still out on whether moderate drinkers are simply healthier overall than non-drinkers, or if alcohol

itself used in moderation does benefit health, Lee and colleagues note.

According to Lee and colleagues, people who had a drink a day had a significantly higher socioeconomic status

than non-drinkers, as measured by income, wealth, and years of education. For example, 37 per cent of drinkers had a college education, compared to 14 per cent of nondrinkers, and 52 per cent of drinkers had \$300,000 in assets, while 21 per cent of non-drinkers did.

#### **Metro Online Poll Results**

Has there been too much coverage of Michael Jackson's death? Weigh in on today's question at metrone



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#### Kuwait needs price of oil to stay above \$60 to meet 'budgetary requirements': Official

Kuwait wants to see the price of oil stay above \$60 a barrel, the OPEC member's oil minister said on Sunday. "We would not like to see the price go below a certain level so it at least meets our budgetary requirements," Sheikh Ahmad al-Abdullah al-Sabah told reporters at parliament. REUTERS

## Business



#### Posthumous sales fuel fund

For Dutch pension fund ABP, Michael Jackson's death could be good for business. The passing of the man called "King of Pop" last week has created a run on his music, which is partly owned by ABP. "There are always certain songs that for whatever reason, in this case tragic, suddenly become very popular. The last fact is a basis for the investment," an ABP spokesman said.

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## More window-shop online Opel bidding war

Canadians check prices on web, but still lag U.S. in sales

The recession is driving more Canadian consumers to shop online, comparing prices and features, but more often than not they are still going into the store to buy.

More Canadian merchants, from women's chain Reitman's to luxury menswear retailer Harry Rosen and yoga wear specialist Lululemon, are finally opening their first online stores, despite the economic downturn. Younger consumers expect it and U.S. competitors are raising the bar, retailers said.

Even Canadian Tire, which stopped selling products online earlier this

#### Web sales up — but retail down

• Internet marketing expert Jeffrey Grau estimates the amount Canadians spent on online retail sales grew 12.4 per cent to \$15.5 billion last

year, continues to operate a site where customers can check out its products before making a purchase. Early Internet adopters, including Best Buy and Future Shop, are plunging ahead with social media interfaces such as Twitter and Facebook on their websites.

"Canadians are online. They're researching often, and what's most interestyear, while retail sales as a whole fell 6.4 per cent. Still, the figure is a fraction of the \$364 billion a year Canadians spend.

ing is they're researching earlier," Google Canada spokeswoman Wendy Rozeluk said.

"Where we might have seen searches for patio furniture in the spring, this year we were seeing them in February. Because of the economic uncertainty, people are trying to be much more leery, figuring out where they can get the best deals." Canada continues to lag the U.S. in terms of online spending despite being one of the most wired countries in the world.

Americans' long history of ordering through catalogues and an initial exemption from sales tax on online purchases helped fuel the online market there. But Canadians worry more than any other nationality about putting their credit-card information online. Also, because Canada is a more urban country — 75 per cent of Canadians live in major cities — consumers can more easily get to a store, thereby avoiding shipping charges. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## Opel bidding war not over yet, says German official

**AUTO** The outcome of the bidding war for German carmaker Opel, currently being led by Canadian auto parts supplier Magna, is still up in the air, Germany's economy minister told a German newspaper.

"I acknowledge Magna's ambitious goal, wanting to sign a contract by mid July," Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg was quoted as saying by Westdeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung in an article to be published today.

"However, there still seem to be some unanswered questions."

Guttenberg said in the

current phase "everyone is free to place offers."

Sources had told Reuters in June that General Motors and Magna had set a target of July 15 for agreeing on the sale of a majority stake in Opel to the Canadian auto parts group and its Russian partner Sberbank.

Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung reported BAIC had sent letters to officials lobbying for its offer, which asks for 2.64 billion euros (\$4.27 billion) in government loan guarantees — less than Magna has asked for.

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#### Italy **G8 summit**



Chinese President Hu Jintao and his wife, Liu Yongqing, visit the Colosseum in Rome, Italy, yesterday. China's deputy foreign minister said yesterday the U.S. dollar would continue to be the world's leading reserve currency for years to come. Beijing wants the idea of an alternative to the dollar as world reserve currency broached at the G8 summit starting in L'Aquila on Wednesday.

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#### **Business** in brief

REWARDS Noella Neale spent years accumulating Aeroplan miles only to discover her account had "expired" when she tried to book a flight. The Coquitlam, B.C. realtor later paid \$1,000 out of her own pocket to reinstate a portion of her miles. Neale is one of two angry Aeroplan members in a proposed class-action lawsuit targeting the popular loyalty

program. The proposed suit focuses on the way Aeroplan communicated a 2007 policy change that wiped out the accounts of members who failed to add or redeem miles at least once every 12 months, and charged a fee to restore the miles. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE PROTECTION Adaltis Inc., a Montreal medical device maker, said Friday it was granted protection from its creditors by a Quebec court while it works on a reorganization plan. Adaltis, which warned earlier this week that it was running out of money, said the Quebec Superior Court also approved debtor-in-possession financing of up to \$3 million through Victoria Square Ventures Inc. to fund operations during the reorganization process. REUTERS

## Teck Resources sells 17 per cent stake to China

mining Teck Resources said on Friday it will sell a 17.2 per cent equity stake to state-owned China Investment Corp. in a deal that will help the Vancouver-based miner pay down its debt while expanding China's portfolio of commodity investments.

China, the No.1 importer of iron ore, copper and other commodities, has been steadily buying stakes in overseas producers in a broad strategy aimed at securing supply for its burgeoning economy.

Teck, a top producer of zinc, copper and metallurgical coal, said CIC will acquire the 17.2 per cent stake through a private placement that will raise \$1.74 billion. Teck will sell 101.3 million shares at \$17.21 each, a seven per cent discount to Thursday's closing price of \$18.50 on the TSX.

Despite the discount, Teck shares rose 8.1 per cent, or \$1.49 to \$19.99, the biggest gain among base metals miners in Toronto.

The deal, which will give CIC a 6.7 per cent voting stake in the company, comes as Chinese companies take advantage of depressed resource prices to buy stakes in producers and lock in access to raw materials.

Get rid of that old fridge in your basement that chills a few lonely bottles of beer. A 1975 fridge sucks up four times as much electricity as new Energy Star model, according to the Ontario Power Authority. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

## Going Green

#### Cotton shirt's dirty trail

Need a new crisp, clean, lightweight cotton shirt? The trail behind it is anything but clean. It comes with a half-pound of pesticides, according to Gillian Deacon's Green For Life. Cotton is the world's most heavily sprayed crop, and at least half of those pesticides are classified as known or possible carcinogens.

Choose certified organic cotton instead. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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## No kidding, U.S. now green leader

**EarthTones** 



f asked what major global shift occurred in the United States last week, how many would answer: "The loss of the King of Pop?"

With all due respect to Michael Jackson and his family, far more important history was made in the United States, but was lost in coverage of this sudden and tragic death. While Canadians have been enjoying the summer, heading for the cottages, firing off bottle rockets, and watching Thriller retrospectives, the U.S. has become the global leader on efforts to reduce greenhouse gases.

No kidding! Do you feel a bit like Rip van Winkle waking up to a different world? At the end of June, the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill that mandates a 17 per cent reduction in greenhouse gases by 2020 and an 83 per cent reduction by 2050. The reductions are to be accomplished by putting a price on carbon dioxide emissions and instituting a cap and trade system.

Also included is a man-



Don't run out and invest in a windmill just yet.

date that 20 per cent of energy come from renewable sources by 2020.

To maintain perspective, many countries have set more aggressive tar-

gets, but given the per capita energy use in the U.S., no legislative mandate to date in any country would have greater global impact.

What does this mean for us? Potentially a common market for trading carbon credits. We've been disappointed in the past about Canada pulling out of the Kyoto obligations and developing modest, much longer-term objectives (i.e. for future governments to worry about).

With the current global economy, more aggressive action to curb carbon emissions is untenable (probably more politically) han economically). But, examined in the light of America's move, our government's policies seem

brilliant. Harper is a genius (stop laughing)! If a common market for carbon is established under NAFTA, Canadian industries may become cleaner more by carrot than by stick. Industries would have an incentive to emit less carbon, being able to sell remaining credits.

Now, before running out and investing in windmills, an important caveat is that the U.S. bill must still be passed by the Senate, which will consider it later this summer.

The legislation could be weakened or killed outright. We'll have to wait and see, and hope.

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## Staying green-friendly right up to the end

**VALUES** If you live by green values, why should it be different when your final farewell comes, says Eco Coffin which makes coffins from recycled material.

The U.K.-based company, which is challenging the traditional funeral industry, uses a cardboard derivative called NatureBoard which is made from recycled cardboard to build coffins fit for cremation or burial, leaving no harmful emissions behind.

Founder, Sophie Dansie and her husband, Ben, came up with the idea in 2001, after a friend's funeral that left her frustrated with the detached and impersonal experience, symbolized by the standard and

sombre dark wood-effect coffin. Not only was it a reflection of the limited choice available at the time, but it also seemed so removed from the person who had died.

Choice within the funeral industry is becoming increasingly

prevalent
and
the industry
itself is
undergoing
a quiet revolution, says Eco Coffin.
Funeral directors are more
accommodating to the requests of bereaved families
when it comes to using al-

ternative coffins.

Describing the range developed by Eco Coffins Ltd, Sophie says: "Following our own extensive research and development, we have a beautiful range of traditional and more brightly coloured designs. People love our plain white Signature coffin because it can

e personalized; children's handprints, paper flowers, personal messages and drawings are just some of the creative additions that have been used. It's also helpful to know that decorating it can be both comforting and therapeutic."

Nick Brealey, managing

Nick Brealey, managing director, says: "Choosing an Eco Coffin is not only a responsible choice in itself but also makes an important statement to future generations."

"We have developed a flat-pack coffin which we can ship flat-pack in bulk to distributors. We are currently searching for North American distributors."

For more information, visit ecocoffins.com.

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## Global warming shifting seasons, says aid agency

**DROUGHT** Global aid agency Oxfam says impoverished communities are being hit hard by the effects of global warming, including increased drought.

Oxfam says interviews with farmers in 15 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America show that seasons are shrinking in number and variety. This is destroying harvests, pushing farmers to abandon traditional crops and causing widespread hunger.

Rainfall is reported to be more erratic, shorter and more violent. Unusual weather events — including storms, drier spells and fluctuating temperatures — are happening more often. And farmers say winds and storms have got stronger.

"We think 'changing seasonality' may be one of the most significant impacts of climate change for poor farmers, and that is happening now," said Oxfam program researcher John Magrath in a new report

Magrath in a new report.
Savio Carvalho, Oxfam's climate change adviser for the developing world, said global warming was already affecting people across Africa, and would wipe out efforts to tackle poverty without urgent action like massive tree planting.



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Cancellera holds Tour de France lead

Britain's Mark Cavendish won the second stage of the Tour de France yesterday while seven-time champion Lance Armstrong finished safely in the trailing pack. Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland retained the overall lead. Cancellara won Saturday's opening time trial to take the yellow jersey. The Tour ends July 26 in Paris. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Sports



#### Hitler comments draw ire

The World Jewish Congress is calling for the resignation of Formula One boss Bernie Ecclestone, left, after he was quoted as saying that Adolf Hitler "got things done." In an interview with London's The Times newspaper, Ecclestone also said democracy "hasn't done a lot of good for many countries — including this one." In a statement yesterday the congress calls on teams, drivers and host countries to suspend co-operation with Ecclestone.

## Federer's 15th Slam

Swiss great wins epic Wimbledon final, breaks Sampras' record

In the end Andy Roddick, like the rest of Wimbledon, had no choice but to embrace the greatness of Roger Federer.

In one of the most heartstopping and unforget-table finals seen in a grand slam arena, Federer held his nerve for four hours and 16 astonishing minutes before finally subduing

#### **Doubles**

Toronto's Daniel Nestor and Serbian partner Nenad Zimonjic defended men's their doubles title at Wimbledon on Saturday with a 7-6, 6-7, 7-6, 6-3 win over Americans Bob and Mike Bryan.

6, 7-6, 3-6, 16-14 to to claim the trophy he cherishes all above for the sixth time. As a Roddick mishit forehand

dick 5-7, 7-

long, Cen-tre Court exploded into a roar of deafening cheers

and a jubi-lant Federer leapt high in the air knowing that he was now the proud owner of a record 15th grand slam title

Among the 15,000 souls lucky enough to witness the momentous occasion



Roger Federer kisses the Wimbledon trophy after winning the men's singles final match against Andy Roddick 5-7, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (5), 3-6, 16-14 yesterday in London.

was a beaming Pete Sampras, whose milestone of 14 majors Federer eclipsed yesterday, in the front row of the Royal Box.

"It's not really one of those goals you set as a little boy but, man, it's been quite a career," Federer, who has enjoyed a remarkable month having won the French Open title for

the first time just four Sundays ago, told the enthralled crowd.

"It feels amazing, but this is not why I am playing tennis, to break all these records, but it is definitely one of the greatest ones to have "

jetlagged Sampras, making a surprise first appearance at the club since 2002, said the Swiss-born Federer had settled the perennial debate over who was the game's greatest player.

"The critics say (Rod) Laver, and (Rafael) Nadal beat him a few times in majors, but he's won all the majors, he's going to win a few more here, so in my book he is."

#### McNair's death a homicide: Cops

SHOOTING Police yesterday ruled the death of former NFL quarterback Steve Mc-Nair a homicide, a day after his bullet-riddled body was found in a Nashville apartment along with the body of his girlfriend, whose death has not been classified.

McNair, who was 36, was shot four times - twice in the head, twice in the chest, according to a

statement posted on the Nashville police website. A semi-automatic

pistol was found underneath the body of McNair's girlfriend. 20-vear-old Steve McNair Sahel Kazemi, who was shot in the head.

There was no sign of forced entry into the condominium. But police did not speculate in the statement on whether Kazemi is believed to have murdered McNair and committed suicide.

"While it is clear Mc-Nair's death is a homicide, the police department is not classifying Kazemi's death pending further in-

vestigation and interviews with persons who knew her and McNair," Nashville police said in the statement.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms is assisting police in tracing the purchase and ownership of the pistol. Police also plan to follow up with staff at two nightspots Mcvisited on Friday Nair

night and early Saturday, the statement said.

The bodies were found on Saturday by sporting goods dealer Wayne Neeley, with whom Mc-Nair rented the condominium. Neeley

called a friend who came to the apartment and called the police.

A witness reported that McNair had arrived at the condo early Saturday morning and that Kazemi's vehicle was already parked outside, the police statement said. Police were told McNair, who was married, and Kazemi had been dating for several

## Reasons to pay attention to the Gold Cup



or whatever reason, hardcore soccer fans in this country tend to turn up their nose at the Gold Cup.

There are very valid reasons for any established soccer-loving country to do that, but this is Canada. And frankly, we're barely on the beautiful game's radar right now.

Tournaments like this one can help that. In 2000, when Canada shocked Mexico in the quarter-finals and beat Columbia 2-0 in the final, the soccer

world sat up and took notice — as did the sporting here. Canada jumped to 63rd on the world FIFA rankings and earned a berth in the Confederations Cup. We were at least on the world stage even if it was in extra's role.

There are plenty of reasons to take an interest in this year's Gold Cup, but here are the top 5:

Ali Gerba. In Gerba you have a pure goal scorer who can brood up and down the pitch for 80 minutes, before turning on a dime and scoring a goal that will have you out of your seat singing his name (applicable even if you're watching the game by yourself). The half-volley he took out of the air, giving Canada the win over Jamaica Friday, was simply

Julian De Guzman is the kind of player who is easy to miss if you're not looking for his contribution. The stalwart defensive-midfielder closes down passing lanes and creates counter-attacking opportu-nities with a Bob Marleylike calm. He's perhaps the best player to ever come out of the Canadian system.

Stephen Hart-style soccer. Unlike some (Dale Mitchell) who have tried to force a style of play on a team (Dale Mitchell), Hart is confident enough to trust his players to a style that suits them. His free-flowing game is highly entertaining. Unlike some.

The proximity to home makes travelling support possible. Hosted by the Americans, both the semi-finals and final will be in Chicago. As well, Canada plays El Salvador at Crew Stadium in Columbus, Ohio, tomorrow. Red looks great in Crew stadium and best of all, Columbus is now sporting a police force that has been Taser free for 99 days. Here's hoping they make it to a hundred.

It's a tournament we can win. And that's not something Canadians can lay claim to very often. The World Cup qualifying in 2008 is now a bad memory. Putting some titles to Canada's name over the next few years would make 2008 more of a drunken blur — which, in a way, is less painful.

Watch Ben Rycroft on the It's Called Football show every Monday at metronews.ca; ben.rycroft@metronews.ca.

#### **Sports** in brief

ALL STARS The rosters for the July 14 All-Star Game in St. Louis were announced vesterday and two Blue Jays, pitcher Roy Halladay and second baseman Aaron Hill, were named to the American League's roster. In addition, outfielder Adam Lind will have a chance to be named as the 33rd man in an online vote.

**GOLF** Tiger Woods won the AT&T National vesterday, making a 20-foot birdie on the 16th and closing with a 3-under 67 to hold off Hunter Mahan for a one-shot victory at Congressional. Bright's Grove, Ont., natives Mike Weir and Matt Hill finished 48th and 70th respectively FOOTBALL Bryce Petty threw three touchdown passes as the United States won the gold medal at the Junior World Championship yesterday with a 41-3 victory against Canada. Virginia Tech running back David Wilson rushed for 87 yards and a touchdown to help the U.S. win the first world tournament of American football for players age 19 and under.

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#### **SCOREBOARD**

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With a \$4 million investment from the Ontario government, the University of Toronto's law faculty has launched Canada's first bridging program aimed at foreign-trained lawyers seeking accreditation to practice law in Ontario. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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## Workology

#### Nunavut's first masters grads

At a convocation ceremony in Iqaluit on Canada Day, 21 Inuit women graduated with a masters of education from the University of Prince Edward Island, becoming the first students to earn a graduate degree in the territory. In a partnership between uPEI, Arctic College, Nunavut's Department of Education, and St. Francis Xavier University, the students in the MEd in Leadership in Learning program were not required to leave the Arctic for their education.

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## One company's huge impact

RAFAEL BRUSILOW for Metro Canada

Proving that people can make the biggest impact of all, one company is shutting down its business for an entire day to let its employees make a difference in their own communities.

On its upcoming Impact Day on Sept. 26, Deloitte — one of the largest professional services firms in the world — is giving its employees the day off from work to go out into their local communities across the globe and volunteer their time to help people in need.

In an industry where the bottom line rules all, it's almost surreal to think that an entire company would encourage its employees to skip work and hand out food or renovate a shelter instead. Yet Eric Girard, a Deloitte partner and national chair of Impact Day in Canada, says that's exactly what the ritual, entering its fifth year,





Seen here are some photos of last year's Impact Day in different parts of Canada. Left: Deloitte employees from Halifax. Right: Volunteers collect waste in Vaughan, Ont.

is all about.

"Last year about 80 per cent of our people left the office, rolled up their sleeves and helped out in their local communities across Canada. This year we're pretty much shutting down our business to participate," Girard said.

For 2008's Impact Day in Canada, close to 5,700 employees built a skating rink for at-risk youth in Saguenay, Que., handed out free lunches in Prince Albert, B.C., and mentored new immigrants on

interview, resumé and job-hunting skills in Toronto, Ont., among hundreds of other projects. This year's event will see more than 460 projects completed across the country.

With employees strewn

With employees strewn across the world, the global presence of a large company like Deloitte is uniquely suited for humanitarian efforts because it lets employee volunteers have a global reach. During Impact Day in 2005 for example, em-

ployees of Deloitte Grand Cayman helped rebuild residences in the Cayman Islands for victims of Hurricane Ivan and the Deloitte office in Cyprus helped lead blood donation clinics within that country.

Markus Navikenas, senior tax manager with Deloitte in Calgary, has coordinated several previous Impact Day outings in his office and says the best part is seeing employees' self-motivation.

"It's been an eye-opener

for a lot of the staff as well—they really bring all the hard work and enthusiasm to Impact Day that they bring to their day jobs," Navikenas said.

Girard believes the true impact of Impact Day even goes well beyond the one-day affair as many employees often continue to volunteer after Impact Day is over, citing the experience as having changed their perception of volunteering.

Vanessa Vidas, an associate partner with Deloitte

**Sunny**Side

in Toronto, helped beautify public spaces in the city and cooked food at a barbecue for Community Living Toronto in the past two years during Impact Day and found the experience greatly affirming.

"The best part is seeing what a difference we make in people's lives. It's just so rewarding — it makes all the hard work worthwhile," Vidas said.

## ESP for your dog or cat?



ue Becker once got a call from an owner of a cat named Hades. Kitty wasn't eating the house, meowing.
So Becker, 57, an animal

So Becker, 57, an animal communicator, sat down in her comfy family room and mentally connected with him.

She soon got a telepathic message from Hades. He was lonely and wanted to spend more time with his busy owner. He also didn't like his name: He wanted to be called Shine.

At first Hades' owner was a little miffed by the name suggestion. A day later, she remembered: When he'd arrived as a kitten, her grandfather had just died, and



As an animal communicator, Sue Becker claims she can know what a cat muses about between meals.

she'd often hold the cat singing You Are My Sunshine. When she called Becker to tell her of this memory, she was in tears.

"All species can communicate telepathically," says Becker.

Born in Montreal, Becker always loved animals and got her first kitten at age 10. Nu-Nu was a big grey cat who allowed his young owner to dress him up in doll's clothes.

By high school, Becker had moved to Kitchener, Ont. She planned on becoming a veterinarian, but instead married young (but later divorced) and started working in a bank.

For 32 years she worked in banking. But another grey cat, this one named Ashley, got sick in the mid 1990 when he was 14. Becker immersed herself in re-

#### The **Lowdown**

Job title: Animal communica-

Salary: Charges \$85 a session Education/training: Seminars and workshops on animal communication

**Best Part of the Job:** "It's all good: Connecting with animals and people."

Work Part of the Job: "The business end. Although all my years in banking really prepared me for that stuff."

search about everything from nutrition to homeopathy to try to help him.

She wasn't able to save her pet, but the readings and courses she did turned into a new career.

In 2002, she scaled back to part-time at the bank, and quit entirely a year later. While the bulk of her work is animal communication, she's also trained to do Tellington Touch, a form of animal massage therapy, and treat animals with Bach Flower Essences. She also teaches workshops in animal communication.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.





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After weeks of rehearsals, it's becoming clear: Katie Holmes has to know she can dance. "She's really blossoming into a gorgeous triple-threat star," says choreographer Mia Michaels of the actress' moves for the 100th episode of So You Think You Can Dance. PEOPLE.COM

## Entertainment **Brad Pitt accepted a ride from** cle he was riding broke down on the side of the road late last

## Massive demand for memorial

More than half a million fans from around the world applied for 17,500 free tickets to Michael Jackson's public memorial service next week, organizers said over the weekend as a massive security operation got underway.

The life and music of the self-proclaimed "king of pop," who died of sudden cardiac arrest July 25, will be celebrated tomorrow at the Staples Center, a basketball arena in downtown Los Angeles.

Officials Friday unveiled an ambitious online lottery that will allow fans to attend either the televised service at the arena or watch the proceedings on a big screen at the nearby Nokia Theatre.

But within minutes, the staplescenter.com server crashed.

"You might want to con-

sider watching this from the comfort of your own home," said Los Angeles City Councilwoman Jan Perry, who is doubling as the city's acting mayor.

The ceremony will also streamed online

A wide area around the venues in downtown Los Angeles will be blocked off for the 10 a.m. event. Both local and state law-enforcement agencies have been marshaled for duty.

A local news-radio station reported that more than 1,400 officers from the Los Angeles Police Department alone have been asked to volunteer for duty today and tomorrow. The LAPD, which has about 9,000 officers in total, declined to comment on the report or to reveal a staffing number.

family Jackson spokesman declined to provide details of the me-



A memorial for Michael Jackson is to be held tomorrow at the Staples Center in Los Angeles

morial service, but said there would not be a funeral procession and Jackson's body would not be at the memorial. **Funeral** arrangements have not been disclosed, but security has been beefed up at the Forest Lawn Hollywood Hills mortuary, where his

body is believed to be held. Officials were also tightlipped about the cost of the memorial service, and

who would pay for it. Like other U.S. cities, Los Angeles is strapped for cash in the global recession and similar questions about public tax revenues

being spent for such an elaborate ceremony sur-faced last month when a \$2 million US celebration was given for the champion Los Angeles Lakers professional basketball team.

That event, which attracted over 500,000 people, was eventually funded through private dona-

Breakdown

The city has already budgeted for LAPD overtime, Perry said, adding that officials would "deeply appreciate" help to offset incremental costs, such as transportation, sanitation and staging.
Winners of the tickets

were to be contacted yes-terday and directed to pick up a pair of tickets and wristbands today. massive demand raised the question of counterfeiting or scalping, drawing pleas from organizers for fans to act responsibly.

"For those that would try to take advantage of this, shame on them," said Tim Leiweke, the president and CEO of AEG, the closely held entertainment concern that owns the venues and was backing Jackson's planned comeback concerts in London.

### **Ex-Beatles, Stones** manager Klein dies

Infamous record label owner Allen Klein, who played a key role in the demise of the Beatles and also nabbed control of some of the Rolling Stones' bestknown songs, died in New York Saturday after a battle with Alzheimer's disease, a spokesman said. He was 77.

During a career spanning more than 50 years, the New Jersey-born account-

ant enjoyed a reputation as a "During a career savvy gangsterlike figure. His spanning more ruthless busi- than 50 years ... ness practices were reviled by (he) enjoyed a many, but he al- reputation as a so earned grudg- savvy gangstering respect for bullying labels like figure." into giving rich deals to his

"Don't talk to me about ethics," he told Playboy magazine in 1971. "Every man makes his own. It's like a war. You choose your side early and from then on, you're being shot at. The man you beat is likely to call you unethical. So what?"

It did not hurt his reputation when he was sentenced to two months in prison in 1979 for tax eva-

said John once Lennon hired him to protect his interest in the Beatles because he and wife Yoko Ono wanted "a real shark - someone to keep

the other sharks away."
His company, ABKCO
Music & Records, is one of the biggest independent labels in an industry con-

trolled multinational corporations.

spokesman said it would remain familycontrolled. Its assets in-

clude record-

ings by the Rolling Stones, the Animals, Herman's Hermits, Bobby Womack, the Kinks, Chubby Checker, Bobby Rydell and many others.

The publishing arm boasts more than 2,000 copyrights including com-positions by Mick Jagger and Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones, Cooke, Womack, Ray Davies of the Kinks and Pete Townshend of the Who.

### Jackson book a headache for Jackie O

Michael Jackson crossed swords with a lot of people when he was alive. but perhaps none more important than Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.

The former first lady, in her capacity as an editor at Doubleday Books, secured a coveted book deal with the pop star in 1984, when he was still riding high on the success of his "Thriller" album released two years

"She was only person in America who could get him on the phone," Stephen Davis, the ghost-writer of Moon Walk, said in a recent interview with Reuters.

According to a People magazine article at the time, Onassis paid Jackson a \$300,000 advance for the book. Davis received what he termed "a generous flat

The book came out in 1988, topped the New York Times Best Sellers list, and quickly sold out of its initial print run of almost 500,000 copies, he recalled.

"That was an extremely successful book. They made money on it," Davis

The obvious next step was to print more copies, and then prepare a paperback version But Jackson. who had total control of the project, vetoed both plans - annoying Onassis.

'There was so much bad feeling when it didn't go back to press," Davis said. "It wasn't a great expe rience for her."

tween the two cultural icons were already strained, because Jackson had threatened block book's publication unless Onassis

Relations

wrote gushing word. Onas-

sis, who fiercely guarded her privacy not

and did want her name in book she edited reluctantly

made an exception and turned in a three-paragraph blurb.

Davis had won over lackson with his infamously seamy Led Zeppelin biography Hammer of the Gods, which was packed with tales of underage groupies, orgies and massive drug

Moon Walk on the other hand, with an apparently asexual and temperate childlike subject, was essentially "a very, very expensive press release," Davis

"The book was verv meat-andpotatoes 'Diana Ross discovered 115. and then we went Motown and we worked for (label founder) Мr

Gordy, and then we went to Los Angeles, I was in The

"There was so much bad feeling when it didn't go back to press ... It wasn't a great experience for Stephen Davis

book's major "scoop" was Jackson's allegation that he was beaten by his father.

Davis did not think it was odd that a preteen boy was always on hand at Jackson's Encino, Calif., home where the interviews took place over an intermittent eightmonth period.

"It was like his ward. It was like Batman and Robin. He was a very nice kid," Davis said. "But there were several of them.

"I'm sure they were bedding down with Mike, but I don't believe for a minute that he ever molested them or touched them or anything like that, or gave them alcohol."

Rather, Davis surmised that they were playmates in Jackson's innocent fantasy world. They would play videogames, watch movies and run errands for him. REUTERS

Keith Urban is more than happy to dismiss rumours that his wife, Nicole Kidman, is pregnant again. "A little bit of tweaking (of photos) does that," he says of where it all comes from, according to Hollyscoop. METRO WORLD NEWS



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## **Magic numbers**

#### Potter is back: Box office big bucks assured

Boy wizard Harry Potter is back in cinemas later this month with the sixth installment of the movie franchise, and another box office bonanza looks assured for the Warner Bros. studio.

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince hits screens on July 15, promising highspeed action, dark and dangerous battles with the forces of evil, budding romance at Hogwarts school for wizards and the expected death of a prominent character.

The wait has been a long one for Potter fans around the world who have followed the fate of Harry and his friends through the seven best-selling books by British author J.K. Rowling.

Warner Bros. pushed the release date of Half-Blood Prince back from 2008, leaving a two-year gap since the fifth movie Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix and the final novel Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows.

The release of Potter books and films are major events for the entertain-



A scene from Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince. The latest in the box wizard series is expected to be another box office hit.

ment industry, both because of the passion fans share for the stories, dubbed "Pottermania" in the media, and the amount of money they generate.

The seven Harry Potter books, which began in 1997, have sold more than 400 million copies worldwide and turned Rowling into a multi-millionaire publishing phenomenon.

The five movies released so far have grossed \$4.5 billion in ticket sales, and box office experts see little reason to doubt that the sixth

installment will fall within the \$800 million to \$1 billion range, a huge amount for a single film.

"This is just a remarkable franchise that has consistently drawn blockbuster numbers each time out, and it is hard to imagine this picture not continuing that trend," said Brandon Gray, president of tracking firm Box Office Moio.



## The men behind the politics

Reagan's **Secret War** Author: Martin Anderson &

Annelise Anderson

Publisher: Crown

Price: \$39.95 (Hardcover)



Martin and Annelise Anderson are nothing short of Ronald Reagan experts. Both former policy advisers to the president, the couple previously released best-sellers Reagan In His Own Hand, Reagan: A Life in Letters and Reagan's Path to Victory. In their latest release, the couple focuses on the Cold War and the influence Reagan had on ending it. In Reagan's Secret War, the Andersons make public information contained in millions of once-classified Regan library documents to argue that his long-time motivations were to eradicate nuclear weapons and topple the Soviet Union and that he was the mastermind behind convincing the Soviets to finally entertain negotiation.

## Ted Kennedy: The **Dream That Never Died**

Author: Edward Klein
Publisher: Crown
Price: \$32 (Hardcover)



Perhaps known equally for his political life as his private one, Ted Kennedy has been a subject of public scrutiny for

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scrutiny for much of his lawmaking ca-

reer. In this new biography, author Edward Klein speaks candidly with friends and family and Kennedy's colleagues in politics to express the man's legislative achievements set against a rocky past. From the 1969 Chappaquiddick incident, in which Kennedy drove off a bridge, resulting in the death of his passenger Mary Jo Kopechne, to his continued womanizing ways, Klein doesn't ignore the controversy in his chronicle.

Stone's Fall
Author: Ian Pears
Publisher: Knopf Canada
Price: \$34.95 (Hardcover)



In the early pages of Stone's Fall, its title comes to correspond quite literally to the fall from a window suffered by wealthy pre-First World War London financier, John Stone, which results in his

death. But the magnitude of his demise is re-

alized later, when his widow Elizabeth hires a former journalist, Matthew Braddock, to track down a child of Stone's who is mentioned in his will. Braddock, quickly falling for Elizabeth, soon discovers Stone wasn't worth all that he boasted. But as the story unfolds in reverse chronology, a spy in Italy uncovers that Elizabeth herself may not be all she claims.

— BRIAN COULTON/

#### **Box office**

Following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the three-day weekend beginning on June 26.

Transformers:
Revenge of the Fallen:

\$42.5 million million US (tied)

1 ce Age: Dawn of the
Dinosaurs:

\$42.5 million (tied)

Public Enemies: \$26.2 million The Proposal:

\$12.8 **The Hangover:** \$10.4 million

Up: \$6.6 million My Sister's Keeper:

\$5.3 million

The Taking of Pelham

1 2 3: \$2.5 million

9Year One: \$2.1 million (tied)

Night at the Museum:
Battle of the Smithsonian: \$2.1 million (tied)

REUTERS





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#### U-Carmen

There's no bullfight in this reimagining of Georges Bizet's opera, set in modern-day South Africa and translated into Xhosa. Pauline Malefane plays Carmen, a cigarette factory worker romanced by a police sergeant and a singer — changed from the bullfighter of the original. 6 PM on BRAVO



#### Dirty Jobs

In the new episode "Mike's Day Off," the doer of dirty jobs visits his doctor and challenges the show's executive producers, Eddie Barbini and Craig Piligian, to try some unpleasant undertakings in his place. And he picked a doozy for them: cleaning portapotties. They also try their hands at making custom-fabricated allow wheels. 7 PM on DISC

#### Law & Order: Criminal Intent

Págado
A charming con man targets a lonely single mother as part of his scheme to hit an armored his scheme to hit an armored truck carrying millions of dollars. Nichols and Wheeler investigate the case when one of the con man's partners dies weeks later in an explosion in "Astoria Helapparitions" 10 PM on CFRN KHQ



Susan Boyle took time out from the Britain's Got Talent tour to record the first track on her planned album with Simon Cowell's team, people.com reports. "She sounds fantastic on record," says Cowell. METRO NEWS SERVICES

#### **Celebrity Buzz**

## **Madge salutes King of Pop**

didn't want to wait until Tuesday in Los Angeles to honour the King of Pop, popeater.com reports.

She paid tribute Michael Jackson on Saturday night in the same arena where he was to stage comeback, dancing along with an impersonator doing Jackson's distinctive moves.

Jackson, who died last week, was to begin a series of 50 concerts at the

July 13. A picture of a socks in the young Jackson ap-Jackson manpeared on stage ner. while Madonna The was performing music Holiday, then the impersonthen ator came on. wearing sequined jacket, white

Wanna Be Štarting Something and the impersonator worked through Jackson's moves, including the famous moonwalk. The impersonator didn't sing.

After the number, Madonna told the crowd, "Let's give it up for one of the greatest artists the world has ever known, and the crowd roared its approval.

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### Headed to splitsville?

ROCKY ROADS There may be trouble in paradise Timberlake **Justin** and Jessica Biel. The pair has been dating for two years, but sources tell Gatecrasher that "they've hit a really spot." rocky Things reportedly started going SOUL during a guys-only

Vegas Timberlake took.

"Justin had to leave dinner once because Jessica was calling him incessantly," the source says. "They got into a huge screaming match over the phone about how she's always 'checking up' on him. She's extremely

needy and is always keeping tabs on him."

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### Mandy on therapy and sperm

Mandy TIME Moore finds therapy "freeing," femalefirst.co.uk reports. The singer started counselling sessions last year and says it has enabled her to talk through her problems without boring her friends.

She said: "You go in thinking, 'Wow, I have nothing to talk about. Where is this hour going to go?' And before know

time's up. I don't have to burden my friends with the

same things over and over again, and it's fascinating to get an unbiased point of view, to not feel like

anybody would judge you. It's very freeing.

Moore also revealed she has an inking of a baby sperm after an impromptu visit to a tattoo parlour with her band. The 25year-old beauty - who secretly wed musician Ryan Adams in March — told Women's Health magazine: "It's a baby sperm. We were goofing off, writing a song about babies or something. Somehow that into everybody evolved getting inked."

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### Amy drinking'n'diving?

trip to Las

**BAD GUEST** Amy Winehouse source in St. Lucia says. continues to make life dif-There are concerns that ficult for the staff at her one night she won't be Caribbean hideout. Now able to get out of the water and something tragic will happen. Staff have they've reportedly banned her from using the

found Amy on a resort swimming number of occapool, according sions collapsed on the grass by to the Sun. "She is regularly drinking large quantities of wine and rum

and no in one her condition should be going anywhere near ter," wa-



#### Hayden's 'spin' on botched tattoo

OH WELL Heroes star Hayden Panettiere isn't fazed by the misspelled tattoo on her back because she doesn't have to look at it. femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 19 year old has the saying Vivere senza rimipiantic — meaning live without regret in Italian etched on her back, but the tattooist made a mistake. She says, "It is misspelled, whatever, I just put my own spin to it. Chances are I'll probably get it fixed, but that's why I love having it on my back because I don't get bored of METRO /

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### Jonas' parlour party

PIZZA CELEBRATION Kevin Jonas and his fiancée, Danielle Deleasa, celebrated their engagement with party for family and friends at their favorite pizza parlor in Los Angeles Friday night.

Jonas proposed earlier last week with a ring containing 211 diamonds that he designed himself, according to People maga-

"Kevin and Danielle have

not yet set a date," the Jonas family said in a statement. "Family is very dear to



Kevin to man METRO NEWS

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#### **Potter actor beats** case of swine flu

SICK STAR Rupert Grint, 20, who plays Harry Potter's pal Ron Weasley, caught the notorious swine flu while filming the latest movie in the wizard series, people.com reports, but is now well enough to attend Tuesday's London premiere of Harry Potter











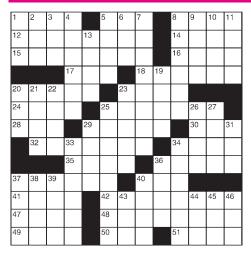
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#### Take Five



#### Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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#### **Crossword across**

- 1 Hydrox competitor 5 Bro's kin
- 8 Hawaiian island
- 12 Period
- 14 Opening day?
- 15 Womanly
- 16 Give as an example
- 17 Crossword clue abbr.
- 18 Whiteboard adjunct
- 20 Censoring sound
- 23 Hebrew month
- 24 Feedbag fill
- 25 Inge play
- 28 Dallas sch.
- 29 Devour
- 30 Small barrel

- 32 NASCAR repair break 34 Deuce beater
- 35 Chooses
- 36 Song of praise
- 37 Long-short-short poetic foot
- 40 Actress West
- 41 Cheer (for)
- 42 Voters in college?
- 47 Initial chip
- 48 Place where motorists
- take five
- 49 "Cheers" order
- 50 "Mayday!"
- 51 Sicilian volcano

#### **Crossword down**

- 1 Vacationing 2 Regret
- 3 Shade tree
- 4 Pizza topping
- 5 Mix
- 6 Charged bit
- 7 Accelerates
- 8 Farm wagon
- 9 Parisian pals
- 10 Loathe 11 — -friendly
- 13 Break suddenly
- 19 Grate
- 20 Derek and Diddley
- 21 Aladdin's 22 Needle case
- 23 Cars

- 25 Soldiers
- 26 Gumbo base 27 Rind
- 29 Catch sight of
- 31 Workout room 33 Wobble
- 34 Infectious fly 36 Treaty
- 37 Colorless
- 38 Top-notch 39 Doves' home
- 40 Disarray
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- 46 Hot tub

#### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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## **Turkey Escalopes** with Lemon and

**Metro Recipe of the Day** 

#### **Parslev** INGREDIENTS:

- 2 lemons
- 8 sprigs of fresh parsley 4 thin slices turkey breast, or turkey escalopes,
- Salt and black pepper
- 2 tbsp (25 mL) olive oil 3 tbsp (45 mL) unsalted butter
- 5 tbsp (75 mL) chicken stock

#### METHOD:

- 1. Squeeze juice from one lemon into bowl and set aside. Wash any wax from other lemon, cut into thin slices and set aside for garnish. Rinse and dry parsley and set 4 sprigs aside for garnish; finely chop rest and set aside.
- 2. Place turkey slices or escalopes, one at time, between two sheets of plastic wrap and pound gently with rolling pin until extremely thin. Season with salt and pepper. 3. Heat oil and half the butter in large frying pan

over high heat, until bubbling. Quickly fry escalopes, two at time if necessary, 1 1/2 minutes each side, until lightly browned and no longer pink in middle. Then transfer to warm dish. 4. Pour stock into frying pan and heat, stirring and scraping up residue from bottom. Add half the lemon juice, remaining butter, and parsley. Reduce to simmer, add escalopes, overlapping if necessary, and any juices, and heat through for 30 seconds per side. Season to taste, and add more lemon juice if you like, then serve garnished with lemon slices and parsley.

#### **SERVES 4**

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#### **Horoscopes by Sally Brompton**

#### ARIES

#### MARCH 21-APRIL 20 You cannot see the whole picture regarding a money matter of some kind, so resist the urge

to make a snap decision.

#### LIBRA

SEPT 23-OCT 23 The Sun in Cancer brings challenges but it also boosts your determination to succeed, so hang in there. Your luck will

#### **TAURUS**

#### APRIL 21-MAY 21

Let someone you have feelings for know how much you care for them. Don't just assume that they know already.

#### **SCORPIO**

#### OCT 24-NOV 22

By all means aim to bring a feud to an end but don't give too much away. Compromise is a must today but it has to be a fair deal for everyone

#### GEMINI

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MAY 22-JUNE 21

If others want to cut corners

and break rules today that's up to them, but you are advised to stick to the straight and nar-

#### **SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21**

You're not usually this sensitive to criticism but the approaching lunar eclipse is certainly

making you more touchy than

#### CANCER

JNE 22-JULY 22

If you want to get ahead in your work and if you want your pri-vate life to run smoothly you must put aside petty differences. They're not worth the worry.

#### **CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20**

You have rarely been so popular, but you cannot possibly accept every single social invitation. Go where you feel you would have the most fun.

#### LEO

JULY 23-AUG 23 Someone who is full of their own importance seems to think they can say anything and get away with it. They're wrong.

#### **AQUARIUS**

JAN 21-FEB 18
Someone will flatter you shamelessly today and although you know it's a monumental lie you will secretly enjoy the attention.

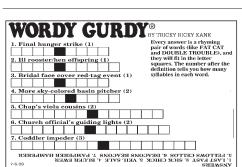
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VIRGO You may like to chat with people you hardly know, but don't give away information about what you are doing that might be used against you in the future.

#### **PISCES**

#### FEB 19-MARCH 20

Your social scene may be a bit boring at the moment but the planets indicate that it will get a lot more interesting between now and next weekend.





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